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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Re: Application of Fujio AKAHANE, Nagamitsu TAKASHIMA, Kazushige
HAKEDA, Ryoji UESUGI, and Akiharu KUREBAYASHI
METHOD OF PUNCHING MINUTE HOLE, METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR MANUFACTURING LIQUID EJECTION HEAD USING THE SAME
Assignee: **SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION**
Our Ref. Q77134

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising fifty-seven (57) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and twenty-one (21) sheets of drawings.. **The requisite U.S. Government Filing Fee, executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, and Assignment will be filed at a later date.**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>26</u>	-	20	=	<u>6</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$108.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>1</u>	-	3	=	<u></u>	x	\$84.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Base Fee									<u>\$750.00</u>
TOTAL FEE									<u>\$858.00</u>

Priority is claimed from:

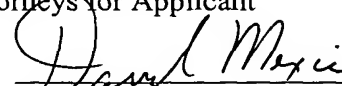
<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2002-243480	August 23, 2002
Japan	2003-292468	August 12, 2003

The priority documents will be filed at a later date. Since the anniversary of the earliest filed priority application fell on Saturday, August 23, 2003, the filing of this application on the following Monday, August 25, 2003, is sufficient to obtain the benefit of priority.

Respectfully submitted,
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